

SENTENCES COMMUTED

Acting Governor Atkinson this afternoon granted commutation of sentence to two of the Koreans sentenced to be executed on Wednesday, for the murder of a countryman on Hawaii. The men whose necks are saved by the gubernatorial clemency are Kim Yong Yee and Chang Chee Yuel. Both sentences are commuted to fifteen years imprisonment each. The prisoners are the ones who were referred to in the Social Science discussion as Nos. 5 and 6.

The execution of the three remaining murderers will probably occur on Wednesday unless there is further action to stay the execution of sentence.

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

SAN FRANCISCO REBUILDING.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—The reconstruction committee has adopted the plans for rebuilding the city which were prepared some months ago by D. H. Burnham, the Chicago architect.

WON THE HANDICAP.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Takalon won the Brooklyn handicap in 2:05.35.

AMERICAN VICE-CONSUL ASSASSINATED.

BATOU, May 21.—American Vice-Consul Stuart has been assassinated.

DAVITT IS BETTER.

DUBLIN, May 21.—Michael Davitt is better.

DEATH FOR STÖESSEL.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 21.—It is rumored that the Military Court has condemned to death General Stöessel and Rear Admiral Negabatoff who surrendered to the Japanese during the late war. General Stöessel was the man who defended Port Arthur for so long.

HORRIBLE DOMESTIC TRAGEDY.

WOODCLIFFE, N. J. May 21.—John Cole of this city killed his daughter with an axe, fatally wounded his wife and then committed suicide.

MOB CAPTURES A DEPUTY SHERIFF

A mob of 200 Japanese at Waiānae are said to have taken Deputy Sheriff Chris Holt prisoner last Saturday and held him in camp till about ten o'clock, when he was released. His wagon had run over a Japanese youngster.

Holt's horse ran away when he was not in the vehicle and a little Japanese girl was thought to be badly injured. For a time the situation looked very serious for Holt, and if he had made any resistance to the mob he would probably have been beaten to death. He remained quiet, however, submitting to his captors and it was subsequently found that the child's injuries were not serious. The Japs were persuaded to allow him to leave and he went home.

Korea to Load 3000 Tons Of Sugar

THE PACIFIC MAIL LINER WILL TAKE OVER 3000 TONS OF SUGAR FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

For probably the finest time in the history of the Pacific Mail S. S. Company, or certainly for the first time in recent years, one of the through Oriental liners of the fleet, is to take a large shipment of sugar from this port to the mainland. The S. S. Korea which arrived this morning from Yokohama is to lie in this port until Wednesday at noon, taking on a special shipment of 3000 tons of sugar. The vessel should ordinarily leave Honolulu tomorrow so she will get away a day behind time. She can make up one day, however, between this place and San Francisco and so make the mainland on time.

The reason for there being the special shipment of sugar by the Korea is that there is a shortage of bottoms to carry sugar from these islands. The opportunity of sending some by the Korea presented itself so the necessary arrangements were made.

The vessel is discharging 1638 tons of freight at this port brought from the Orient, after which the loading of the sugar will be commenced.

The round-the-Horn fleet is beginning to make its appearance one by one. The ship Manga Reva arrived this morning from Manila to load about 3500 tons. There are now five vessels at island ports about to depart or to start to loading sugar for the eastern seaboard.

Mrs. Alapai Won't Go With The Band

SAYS SHE WILL NOT GO UNDER ANY CONDITIONS—THINKS SHE HAS BEEN MISREPRESENTED.

Madame Alapai will not accompany the Hawaiian Band.

She made this positive announcement at half-past one this afternoon. The announcement was not the result of a failure of negotiations as to terms, she says, but the result of a deliberate conclusion reached that she would not go under the circumstances on any conditions as to salary or other consideration.

"There might have been a different conclusion on Saturday," said Madame Alapai this afternoon, "though I have felt all the time that Mr. Cohen was bringing my affairs before the public more than was necessary, or than he had any right to. The matter was a business proposal between myself and my husband on one side and Mr. Cohen on the other. Because I did not accept the terms he offered, and made a counter offer, he immediately took the matter before the public, seeking to put me and my husband in a disadvantageous light, seeking to represent that we were grasping and unreasonable. Still, up to Saturday I should not have allowed that to interfere with the course of negotiations, and if what I considered a suitable offer had been made, I should have accepted it. But Mr. Cohen kept appearing in interviews to seek to lead the public to believe that I was unreasonable in the position I took, and I have therefore decided that I will not go with the band under any circumstances. I feel that no consideration has been shown for my feelings, and very little for me as a singer. Therefore neither I nor my husband will go. This is final."

Up to 1 o'clock this afternoon Madame Alapai's name was still on the booking list, indicating that Cohen at that time had not given up all expectation that she would go.

Captain Berger has several promising understudies, and it is expected that the most promising of these will be taken.

RESUMED PRACTICE.

George D. Gear has opened law offices in the rooms formerly occupied by Justice Hatch on Kaalumanu street. Telephone Main 214.

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BURTON MUST DO TIME

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The Supreme Court has decided against Senator Burton. Burton was convicted some months ago of grafting.



Senator Burton was convicted of a cooping \$2,500 from the Rialto Grain and Securities Company, a get-rich-quick concern, while a senator, for using his influence with the Postmaster General, the Chief Post Office Inspector and other post office officials to induce them to render a favorable decision on matters affecting the use of the mails of this company.

KEKAUOHA SAID RENT TOO HIGH

FOR HIM TO MAKE ARRESTS—“TECHNICAL” RULING BY KOO-LAU OFFICIAL IS THE LIMIT.

Another complaint against Deputy Sheriff George K. Kekauoha has been filed with Sheriff Brown. Kekauoha is in effect, charged with ignorance. The allegation as made to the Sheriff are:

Last Friday Kulahua who with some natives has leased the fishing rights at Kahana for \$310 yearly rental, were told that Manu and seven other natives invaded their fishing rights and captured about 8000 abules. Deputy Sheriff Kekauoha was hunted up and asked to issue a warrant for the arrest of the eight natives on charges of violating the fishing rights of Kulahua and his partners. But Kekauoha smiled and said no. It was beyond his jurisdiction. He said that the limit was too high for him. "If the yearly rental for the fishing rights had been \$300 then he could take cognizance of the matter and issue the desired warrants, but as it was \$310 a year, that sum made it too high for him."

Up to the limit of his authority and he could do nothing. But he was very sorry for the people who claimed that their fishing rights had been invaded. A representative of the lessees came to Honolulu last Saturday and made complaint to the authorities about the matter. They had a communication drawn up making the allegations as given, and presented to Sheriff Brown. Seven natives who are partners with Kulahua signed the document against Kekauoha.

A warrant was issued this morning by District Magistrate Dedby for the arrest of the eight natives who are alleged to have violated the fishing rights of the Kahana lessees.

Sheriff Brown stated today that he could assign no other reason for Kekauoha's conduct, than that the Deputy Sheriff had gotten confused in the matter of the civil and criminal laws. "There is no such thing as any limit of amount in a criminal case," said the Sheriff. "Kekauoha probably thought that as the law places \$300 as the limit of a civil action that can be brought before a District Court, the same limit

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING BEING HELD

THE FOURTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION OF EPISCOPAL CHURCH IS BEING HELD.

The fourth annual meeting of the convocation of the Episcopal Missionary District of Honolulu met this afternoon to take up the regular business of the meeting. The meeting was held in the Sunday School room of St. Andrew's Cathedral.

Today was given to a conference on Christian Education at which many of the workers in the Bishop's schools spoke and gave their ideas on the subject.

This evening at 7:30 o'clock the convocation will meet in the Sunday school room again and the subject of education will be completed. A prayer service will also be held.

The convocation will hold over tomorrow and possibly Wednesday. A reception will be given by the Bishop at his residence Thursday evening from 8 until 10:30 p. m.

MAIL DUE TOMORROW.

Mail by the S. S. Doric is due tomorrow afternoon from the mainland. She was supposed to have left San Francisco May 16.

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COMMITTEE SURPRISES THE PARTY

REMARKABLE POSITION SAID TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY THE REPUBLICAN COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SATURDAY NIGHT A MUCH DISCUSSED PROPOSITION TODAY—A GOOD CANDIDATES RESOLUTION IS TURNED DOWN.

The action of the Republican County Committee in killing the following resolution at its meeting on Saturday night was the political sensation and puzzle of the day today:

"Resolved, We, the Republican county committee of Oahu, in the interest of the Republican party, do respectfully request the assistance and support of the business element in securing candidates for the coming campaign, realizing that in order to strengthen and maintain the Republican party in this county, we must secure the nomination and election of good, suitable candidates; and this committee pledges itself to work for and support candidates in whom the community will have the utmost confidence."

The resolution does not appear to mean anything very definite, except that the Republican party wants good candidates, and "Why did you vote it down?" was the question asked of members of the committee today. Certainly no such thing as a party declaring that it didn't want good candidates was ever heard of before and the more it was discussed the more the wonder grew, that any party committee could vote down a resolution to have good candidates.

The explanation given is that the resolution didn't merely mean what it seems to mean.

"Why did you down it?" was asked this morning of one of those who helped to defeat it.

"Why it pledges us to support men whom the business community names and puts us in the control of the element known as the Business Community," was the answer.

"It doesn't say so," was the reply of the man who asked the question.

"But that is what Hustace, who offered the resolution said," was answered. "He made it commit the party to accept the 'business community' selections and this would be an interference with the rights of the convention. Moreover it was a 'haole' proposition. It was regarded by the Hawaiians as simply a move for a 'haole' ticket, and the county committee didn't approve such a proposition."

"What it really meant," said Col. Zeigler of the committee, "was that the party wanted the aid of business men to the extent of allowing their employees to run as, in the case of W. W. Harris, Lewers and Cooke aided us by allowing him to run, and we thereby got a good man in the legislature."

Other members of the committee say the resolution was "raw." In any event it was voted down, though the most careful reading of it seems to show only a wish for help in getting good candidates. Acting on their suspicion that there was a joker in it, the county committee of Oahu appears to have broken a world's record by a formal rejection of a proposition of asking help to get good candidates.

The general comment is that the laugh is on the committee.

During the discussion of the resolution on Saturday evening the matter of sheriff candidates came up. Hustace, author of the resolution, was asked what would happen if the Business Community wanted Crabbe and the committee wanted Brown. The reply was that a third man should be chosen.

PERRY WOULD SAVE ALL THE KOREANS

SOCIAL SCIENCE CLUB HAS AN INTERESTING DISCUSSION OF THE MURDERERS' CASES AND ASKS ABSOLUTE PARDON OF ONE AND REDUCTION OF SENTENCE FOR ANOTHER—CARL SMITH'S CONDUCT OF THE CASE IS CRITICIZED.

The Social Science Club held another meeting on Saturday night at the residence of W. O. Smith, to discuss the cases of the five condemned Korean murderers. The general conclusions embodied in resolutions which the special committee having the matter in charge were delegated to present to the acting governor, are as follows:

"1. Defendants Nos. 1, 3 and 4 are properly convicted of murder in the first degree; but a differentiation should be made in favor of No. 1.

"2. Defendant No. 5 should have his sentence commuted, as the evidence supports a verdict of assault at best.

"3. Defendant No. 6 should be pardoned, as the evidence does not support the verdict, and does not show him to be guilty of anything."

President A. S. Hartwell presided at the meeting and Chief Justice Frear, by request, acted as secretary. L. A. Thurston opened the discussion by reading a lengthy report on the evidence in the case prepared by himself, W. A. Kinney, D. L. Withington, W. O. Smith and N. B. Emerson. He explained that Kinney was on Kauai and unable to attend. The report was a lengthy analysis of the evidence, using numbers to designate the defendants.

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